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SUBJECT: ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL SUBCOMMISSION

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- 1. S.V.S. JUNEJA, JOINT SECRETARY, MOF, READ PARTS OF CABLE HE HAD RECEIVED YESTERDAY FROM BAIJAL TO ECONOMIC COUNSELOR. CONTENTS WERE SIMILAR TO THOSE CONTAINED REFTEL.
- 2. JUNEJA COMMENTED THAT GOI WOULD NOT WANT TO DOWNGRADE LEVEL OF DELEGATION LEADERS AT THIS TIME. RATHER THAN CHANGE LEVEL, THEY WOULD PREFER MEETING TAKE PLACE LATE OCTOBER OR EARLY NOVEMBER. WHILE HE HAD NOT CONSULTED WITH MANMOHAN SINGH, HE FELT SURE ARRANGEMENTS COULD BE MADE TO HAVE SINGH LEAD GOI DELEGATION AT THAT TIME. HE GAVE AS REASON THAT SUBJECTS TO BE DISCUSSED, SUCH AS THEIR DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY, WERE OF HIGH ENOUGH IMPORTANCE THAT THEY SHOULD BE TAKEN UP AT THE GOI SECRETARY/USG ASSISTANT SECRETARY LEVEL.
- 3. DUE TO PERSONNEL CHANGES, EMBASSY WOULD ALSO PREFER NOT TO HAVE SUBCOMMISSION MEETING ON TWO SUGGESTED DATES MENTIONED REFTEL. LATE OCTOBER OR EARLY NOVEMBER WOULD BE MORE SUITABLE FOR US AS WELL.

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- 4. EMBASSY ALSO FEELS STRONGLY SUBCOMMISSION SHOULD NOT BE DOWNDRADED AT THIS TIME. ASSISTANT SECRETARY KATZ (EB) CANNOT BE ACCOMODATED TO TIME SUGGESTED BY GOI, PERHAPS ANOTHER APPROPRIATE US DELEGATION LEADER OF SIMILAR OR HIGHER LEVEL CAN BE FOUND.
- 5. JUNEJA EXPRESSED PLEASURE THAT U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRI-

CULTURE WAS BEING ASKED TO SELECT DATES FOR MEETING OF AGRI-CULTURE INPUTS WORKING GROUP. LEADER OF GOI GROUP WOULD BE S. KRISHNASWAMY, SECRETARY, MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS/FERTILIZ-ERS AND PETROLEUM. GOHEEN

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